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Detail of a basket made by a member of Maine's Micmac tribe.

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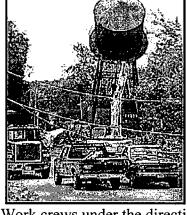
Rumors abound that the embattled president could use the ex-senator's negotiating skills.

#### Summer's tourism likely to break records

Despite a rainy June, the strong economy and improved promotion brought in throngs of visitors. Only online: Links on Maine's tourism industry

### State expands research funding for UMaine system

Even after the budget surplus windfall, Maine lags behind other states in research spending.



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# Old Buxton mill coming down

Work crews under the direction of the U.S. Department of Environmental Protection Agency pulled down the smokestack and the water tower at the dilapidated Rogers Fiber Mill in the Bar Mills section of Buxton Wednesday, beginning a process of demolition that residents of the area had sought for a number of years. Below, the rusting water tower tips toward the ground as it begins to come down. Above, workers walk past the downed smokestack and water tower. A large section of the mill collapsed into the Saco River in March, triggering another plea from town officials to have the structure razed. Built early this century, the three-story mill manufactured fiberboard used as linings in shoes, suitcases and other products until it closed in the late 1970s. A canoc business occupied the building until the mid-1980s. Three men bought the old mill about 10 years ago with plans to renovate it into offices, shops and apartments, but the plans never materialized. The mill slowly deteriorated and residents began to complain that it was not only an eyesore but dangerous. The EPA is overseeing the demolition to make sure hazardous materials are removed for disposal.